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COLUMBUS, MISSISSIPPI, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1907.

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FALL FAIR IS A THING OF THE PAST

SEVENTH ANNUAL EXHIBITION
OF MISSISSIPPI AND WEST
ALABAMA FAIR ASSO-
CIATION CLOSES.

Quite a Number of Strangers Were in
Attendance, and Fair Was a
Great Success From a Fi-
nancial Standpoint.

The seventh annual exhibition of the Mississippi and West Alabama Fair Association, which came to a close Friday, was one of the most successful in the history of the association, large crowds having been present and the patrons having expressed themselves as being highly pleased both with the races and with the exhibits in the various departments. The number of out of town visitors was unusually large, every hotel in the city having been crowded and many of them having been compelled to turn people away.

A new feature to be introduced this year was the horse show. The several exhibitions in this department took place at night, and this was the first time in the history of the association that an attempt was ever made to offer anything but daylight attractions at the fair grounds, and while inclement weather prevented the presentation of the program advertised for Wednesday night, there were good crowds present on Thursday and Friday nights, and the spectators greatly enjoyed the pleasing spectacle presented by the ladies and gentlemen in their handsomely decorated equipages.

Capt. F. M. Montgomery, of West Point, acted as judge of the horse show, and all present were impressed with the fairness of his decisions. Capt. Montgomery is an experienced horseman, and has been very clever and accommodating in assisting the association in many ways during the progress of the fair. The following were the prize winners in the parade Thursday night:

Best gentleman driver, single harness—Mr. Eugene Mustin, first; Col. Wm. Rhett, second.

Best lady driver—Mrs. William Rhett, first; Miss Marianne Bradford, second.

Best equestrian—Mr. Asa Watson, of Strong's Station, first; Mr. Bailey Hardy, second.

Best equestrienne—Miss Lucile Hardy, first; Miss Marianne Bradford, second.

Best saddle horse, ridden by man—Mr. Mose Williams, of Strong's Station, first; Mr. Nelson Hutchinson, second.

Best carriage team—Miss Mary Harrison, first; Mrs. Eugenia Moore, second.

On Friday night prizes were won as follows:

Best gentleman's roadster—Col. William Rhett, first; Mr. Stanley Gardner, second.

Best combination horse—Mr. Norman Pulliam, first; Dr. John Oliver, second.

Best light harness double team—Mr. G. T. Duke.

Best combination double team—Mr. G. W. Boyd.

Best single horse and gig, occupants counting for half and appointments half—Mr. Jamie Billups and Miss Lucile Hardy, first; Mr. R. T. Williams, Jr., and Miss Maude Williams, of Meridian, second.

The following is a partial list of the premiums awarded in the various departments, the remainder of which will be published in The Dispatch next Wednesday:

Jacks and Mules.

Best jack, any age, open to Alabama and Mississippi—W. S. Nickles, first; W. F. Cooper, second.

Best jack, any age, open to the world—W. S. Nickles, first; T. W. Townsend, second.

Best mule mare, with colt at foot: R. B. Hardy.

Best mule colt under one year old, exhibited with dam—R. B. Hardy.

Best mule colt, one year old and under two—R. R. Barrentine.

Best mule, two years and under three—S. F. ... first; R. R. Barrentine, second.

Best mule, three years old—R. R. Barrentine.

Best bunch of three or more mules by side of dam—S. F. ... first; R. R. Barrentine, second.

Best Mississippi or Alabama raised

mule, any age—R. B. Hardy, first; R. R. Barrentine, second.

Sheep and Swine.

Best Berkshire boar, over one year old—W. G. Evans.

Best Berkshire sow, over one year old—W. G. Evans.

Best Berkshire boar, under one year old—Carey Cocke, first; W. S. Mustin, second.

Best Berkshire sow, under one year old—W. S. Mustin, first; Carey Cocke, second.

Best Poland China boar, over one year old—W. S. Mustin.

Best Poland China sow, over one year old—W. S. Mustin.

Best Poland China boar, under one year old—W. S. Mustin.

Best Poland China sow, under one year old—W. S. Mustin.

Best boar, any breed or age—W. G. Evans, first; Carey Cocke, second.

Agricultural Products.

Best half bushel rust proof oats—J. G. Freeman.

Best half bushel Irish potatoes—J. E. Slaughter.

Best half bushel turnips—J. E. Slaughter, first; T. J. Walters, second.

Best peck peanuts—W. S. Mustin.

Best display of popcorn—Mrs. F. M. Leigh.

Best display of pumpkins—W. S. Mustin.

Best display of sugar cane—J. C. Franks, first; James Gates, second.

Best half gallon sorghum—Mrs. S. T. Sparks.

Best display fresh garden vegetables—S. T. Sparks, first; J. E. Slaughter, second.

Culinary.

Best loaf of bread—Mrs. P. Alexander, first; Miss Aline Sparks, second.

Best display of chicken salad—Miss Aline Sparks, first; Mrs. F. M. Leigh, second.

Best display of home-made candy, assorted—Miss Nell Parsons, first; Mrs. W. E. Frazee, second.

Best chocolate cake—Mrs. F. M. Leigh, first; Mrs. W. E. Frazee, second.

Best white cake—Mrs. F. M. Leigh, first; Miss Aline Sparks, second.

Best display of light rolls—Mrs. Simon Loeb.

Best display of beaten biscuit—Mrs. W. E. Frazee, first; Mrs. F. M. Leigh, second.

Best display of home-made butter—Mrs. G. W. Boyd, first; Mrs. F. M. Leigh, second.

Best display of creamery butter—W. S. Turner, first; Mrs. F. M. Leigh, second.

Best display of honey in comb—Mrs. F. M. Leigh.

Best display of preserves—Mrs. W. S. Mustin, first; Mrs. F. M. Leigh, second.

Best display of jelly—Mrs. W. S. Mustin, first; Miss Aline Sparks, second.

Best display of pickles—Mrs. W. S. Mustin, first; Mrs. F. M. Leigh, second.

Best display of catsup—Mrs. W. S. Mustin, first; Mrs. F. M. Leigh, second.

Best display of canned fruit—Mrs. W. S. Mustin, first; Miss Aline Sparks, second.

Best display of canned vegetables—Mrs. W. S. Mustin, first; Miss Aline Sparks, second.

Best pint of home-made vinegar—J. A. Morgan, first; Mrs. W. S. Mustin, second.

Best general culinary exhibit—Mrs. W. S. Mustin, first; Mrs. F. M. Leigh, second.

Woman's Work.

Best painting in water colors—Miss Gladys McGeorge.

Best painting on velvet—Mrs. E. C. Chapman.

Best pen and ink cartoon—Mrs. F. M. Chapman.

Best painting on china or porcelain—Miss Anna Leigh Cady.

Best specimen of charcoal drawing—Miss Gladys McGeorge, first; Mrs. Felix Chapman, second.

Best pencil drawing—Miss Gladys McGeorge, first; Mrs. Felix Chapman, second.

Best picture frame design—Mrs. Walter Breland, first; Mrs. Felix Chapman, second.

Best sofa cushion—Miss Aline Sparks, first; Miss Gladys McGeorge, second.

Best pair of slippers—Mrs. A. L. Witherspoon, first; Mrs. A. L. McGeorge, second.

Best specimen of knitted lace—Mrs. Felix Chapman, first; Mrs. Alice Jordan, second.

Best decoration—Mrs. G. W. Boyd.

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GALLANT FIGHT FOR LIFE WAS VAIN

AFTER A HARD FOUGHT BATTLE
MR. THOMAS T. RICHARDS
DIED OF TUBERCULO-
SIS LAST FRIDAY.

His Death Took Place at the Home
of His Father, Captain D. M.
Richards, on South Ninth
Street at Six O'Clock.

After a gallant fight against tuberculosis, Mr. Thomas T. Richards has succumbed to the ravages of the disease, having passed away at the residence of his father, Capt. D. M. Richards, No. 403 South Ninth street, at six o'clock last Thursday evening. Mr. Richards, although quite a young man, had been a sufferer from lung trouble for quite a long time, and several years ago was compelled to relinquish a lucrative position in New York on account of his failing health. He had spent the past eighteen months in the West, hoping that the equable climate would restore him to health, or at least prolong his life. The hope, however, was a vain one, as the expected results were not obtained. Instead of improving he grew worse, and several weeks ago suffered an attack of dengue fever which greatly weakened and enervated him. He decided to come back to Columbus, having been met at New Orleans by his brother, Mr. Ward Richards. The trip proved temporarily beneficial, but he soon suffered a relapse and for several days previous to his death had been in a critical condition.

Mr. Richards was a member of one of the best known families in this section. As stated above, he was the son of Capt. D. M. Richards, a well known grocery merchant, and was the brother of Chancery Clerk D. D. Richards. There is quite a large family of young men, his other surviving brothers being Messrs. Ward, John and Earl Richards, of this city, and Dr. Charles Richards, of Hope, Indian Territory.

The funeral occurred at the family residence on South Ninth street at 10:30 o'clock Saturday morning, having been conducted by Rev. W. A. Hewitt, pastor of the First Baptist church. The interment was at Friendship cemetery, Messrs. Harry Roberts, Frank Owen, E. L. Phillips, J. H. Beard, Parker Reeves and R. E. Mahon having officiated as pall bearers.

Accident at Railroad Crossing.

Mrs. S. B. Hudson narrowly escaped a serious accident while riding in a carriage Friday afternoon, the vehicle having turned over at the corner of South Eighth avenue and Seventh street, at which point the tracks of the Mobile & Ohio Railroad cross the latter thoroughfare. Mrs. Hudson, seated in the carriage of Mrs. F. S. Aldridge, having been en route from the fair grounds to her home on Main street. As the carriage neared the Seventh street crossing an engine approached from the west, and in order to prevent a collision the driver was forced to run his horses into a ditch. Mrs. Hudson, the driver and a negro woman who was seated beside him, jumped from the vehicle and escaped practically uninjured. The horses, however, fell in the ditch, and it was necessary to cut the harness in order to release them from their awkward position. The carriage was also badly broken as a result of the accident.

Eupora, which is one of the most prosperous little towns on the line of the Southern Railway between this city and Greenville, is to have a new bank. The new financial institution will be known as the Merchants & Farmers Bank, and will have a capital of \$40,000.

We carry a complete assortment of Sanitol preparations. Get \$2.70 worth \$1.00, with the coupon. Johnston & Caine, druggists.

Miss Laura Young is the guest of Mrs. Tate at Brooksville for a few days.

Mr. Harold McGeorge, the capable young captain of the A. and M. College football team, which gained the laurels of victory on Friday, is the guest of his mother, Mrs. Annie McGeorge.

Miss Bessie Dunning of West Point is the attractive guest of Mrs. Ira T. Gaston for a few days.

MARCHED THROUGH GEORGIA LINE

THE A. AND M. COLLEGE HAD NO
TROUBLE IN DEFEATING
MERCER UNIVERSITY
ON FRIDAY LAST.

Game Was Played at Fair Grounds
and Was Really Too One-Sided
to be Interesting, the Score
Having Been 75 to 0.

The A. and M. College team faced Mercer University on the gridiron at the fair grounds Friday afternoon, and went through the Georgia lines as triumphantly and as ruthlessly as Gen. Sherman marched through the Cracker State on his famous journey to the sea. The game, too, was as devastating to the hopes of the Georgians as was Gen. Sherman's march to the section through which he traveled, the Mississippians having piled up seventy-five scores, while poor Mercer failed to make a single goal.

The Mississippians exhibited no mercy toward Mercer. While McGeorge, Furman, Dent and the rest of the A. and M. bunch were making sensational runs and flying kicks the best that the Georgians could do was to make a touchback, and touchbacks don't count. It must be admitted, however, that the Georgians exhibited pluck and stamina. Although they probably realized that they were beat from the start, they never for one moment displayed chagrin or seemed to lose heart. Their play was necessarily on the defensive during the greater portion of the game, but they fought their opponents doggedly and deserve praise for their tenacity.

The two teams are about evenly matched in weight, and the Mississippians won the game by superior playing. Both in team work and in individual playing the Georgians were clearly outclassed. McGeorge, the captain of the Mississippi aggregation, who, by the way, is a Columbus boy, made some phenomenal kicks, while Furman made three touchdowns during the first half, and Dent executed a triple pass, which enabled him team to advance thirty yards.

College boys are nearly always in good spirits, and on Friday afternoon the Mississippians were jubilant. Between the two halves several scores of the A. and M. cadets lined up and made a circuit of the field, chanting an ode of sympathy to the Georgians as they marched. The spectacle presented by this pageant was inspiring and at the same time anomalous, for the joyous smiles on the boys' faces were in sharp contrast to the mournful air of the funeral dirge which they chanted. While they chanted the requiem of the gentlemen from the Cracker State, many young ladies were waving flags and cheering lustily, while to add to the din and heterogeneity of the occasion the band played the loudest and liveliest tunes in its repertoire.

There were several accidents during the progress of the game, but happily none of them were of serious nature. During the first half, Nelson, Mississippi's full back, sprained his ankle severely and was forced to retire, having been replaced by Morris. Scoggin, Mercer's left guard, was also painfully but not seriously hurt, and was replaced by Deming. There were several minor changes in Mississippi's lineup at the conclusion of the first half. Cutrer, who played left end, and Dent, who played half back, having retired and having been succeeded in their respective positions by Dee and Rose. Dr. Montgomery, of the A. and M. College, officiated as referee, while Mr. Irwin Sessums, who is connected with the same school, was the umpire.

There was a tremendous crowd present, and notwithstanding the fact that the game was too one-sided to be exciting, all present seemed to enjoy themselves. A notable feature was the absence of kicking or squabbling of any kind. While the crowd was with the Mississippians and took no pains to conceal the fact, Mercer was given a square deal all the way through, and the boys evinced their appreciation of fair treatment by taking their defeat good humoredly and without complaint.

The lineup was as follows:

Mercer Position A. & M.
Mercer.....L. E.....Dee, Cutrer
Davis.....L. T.....McNinn
Scoggin, Deming, L. G.....Dorrah
Shaw (Capt.)...C.....Wooten

Underwood...R. G.....Brumfield
Pool.....R. T.....Pillard
Hicks.....R. E.....Watson
Mallory.....Q. B. McGeorge (C.)
Farmer.....L. H. B.....Furman
Newman.....F. B. Nelson, Morris
Landrum.....L. H. B.....Dent, Rose

Death of Col. W. C. Brooks.

The Nevada, Missouri, papers contain the announcement of the death of Col. W. C. Brooks, of that place, who died in his eighty-sixth year after a lingering illness on Sunday, October 29th last. Col. Brooks was well known by the older citizens of this place, and he left a large estate in Columbus, his mercantile property being as valuable as any in this city. A Nevada paper, in noting his death, says:

"Mr. Brooks was born April 24th, 1820, in Pickensville, Ala. When but a young child he moved to the State of Mississippi with his father, Judge Brooks, who was judge of the eastern district of that State. He was reared to manhood on a plantation near Brooksville, Miss. In 1845 he married Miss Bettie Hatch. Ten children resulted from this union. Five children survive him—Mrs. Ida Martin, Miss Gertrude, Miss Cora, Emmet and Clifton Brooks.

"After the marriage of Mr. Brooks he and his wife lived at West Point and Columbus, Miss., and Chapelwell, Texas, after which, with his family, he moved to Missouri in 1868. "The deceased was a good, pure man, a Christian without hypocrisy, he was the soul of honor and integrity. He was a man of strong convictions, and had the courage to support them. He would rather be right and stand alone than wrong and have all men on his side. He was a true friend, a devoted husband and father, both kind and affectionate. His admonition of his children was to do and live right. He was a member of the Christian church of this city. The ruling passion of his life was devotion to his family."

Large Crowds at Skating Rink.

The Gaiety Rollaway Rink enjoyed a splendid patronage last week, great crowds having visited this popular place of amusement each afternoon and evening. The crowd Friday night was unusually large, but owing to the modern methods employed by Manager Wastell the crowd was so nicely handled that there seemed to be ample room for both skaters and spectators. The rink is enjoying a liberal patronage and seems to be continually growing in favor with the people.

Mr. Cheatham Painfully Scalded.

Mr. Amzi Cheatham, a popular passenger engineer on the Southern Railway, was painfully hurt in an accident which occurred near Parish, Ala., at an early hour on Saturday morning. Mr. Cheatham left here in charge of the locomotive attached to eastbound passenger train No. 28 at midnight Friday, and at a point near Parish the train ran into an open switch. The engine was derailed, and both Mr. Cheatham and his negro fireman were painfully scalded. While Mr. Cheatham's injuries are painful they are not considered serious. He returned to the city yesterday afternoon, and Messrs. Gunter Brothers' ambulance went to the depot to meet him. He declared, however, that his injuries were not serious enough to warrant a trip in the ambulance, and rode home in a carriage. Mr. Cheatham has numerous friends who sympathize with him in his misfortune and join The Dispatch in expressing the hope that he will soon recover.

One Week Longer.

Will sell my prairie farm, 440 acres, between Artesia and Crawford, one-half mile south of Penna, for \$15.00 per acre. One-third cash, the balance one and two years, eight per cent. interest. The Mobile & Ohio Railroad runs through the place. Will be withdrawn from the market November 3rd. Walter Weaver, 20

A Small Blaze.

The fire department was called out at 3:15 o'clock Friday afternoon by an alarm which was turned in from the First ward and which was occasioned by a blazing out house on the premises of Mrs. L. V. Frierson, No. 108 South Fourth avenue. The blaze was quickly extinguished, little damage having resulted from the fire.

Mr. John W. Craddock, of New Orleans, spent several days of the past week in the city.

FINANCIAL PANIC AFFECTS COTTON

STRINGENCY OF MONEY MARKET
HAS CAUSED A BREAK IN
THE COTTON MARKET;
MANY POINTS LOST.

It Means a Drop of About Five Dollars a Bale, and South Will
Come in for Her Share of
Loss as a Result.

The financial panic which recently struck the money centers of the East, causing many of the strongest banking institutions in the country to tighten and fail, has had its effect upon cotton, and the South, as well as the East, will be forced to suffer as a result of the panic. Cotton has lost nearly one hundred points during the past ten days, January futures having dropped from 11 cents to 10.65, in the spot market the decline has been equally great. Ten days ago cotton was selling in the local market at from 11 to 11 1/4, while the same cotton sold yesterday brought from 10 to 10 1/4 cents.

The decline which the past ten days have brought amounts to practically a cent a pound, or about five dollars per bale, and as a large portion of the cotton crop is still in the hands of the farmers the loss suffered by the South will be very great. While the farmers will lose heavily as a result of the panic, the break in the market will be a boon to some of the speculators. Many brokers have contracts to deliver cotton during the next few weeks at prices ranging from 11 to 11 1/2, and even as high as 12 cents, and the cheaper they can buy this cotton the more money they can make out of their contracts. Opinions as to future fluctuations differ. The bulls and bears, so far as Columbus is concerned, are about equally divided. The bulls contend that the decline is only temporary and that as soon as confidence is restored in the financial centers cotton will advance. The bears, however, assert with equal verbiage that the decline will be permanent and that eleven cent cotton is a thing of the past.

At the close of business yesterday afternoon New York agents were quoted at 10.55, December futures at New York at 10.25, New Orleans spots at 10.15-16 and December futures in New Orleans at 10.15. In the local market good middling was quoted at 10 1/4.

Death of Mrs. T. W. Rehder.

The death of Mrs. T. W. Rehder, which occurred at Dr. Davis' infirmary in Birmingham last Friday, caused universal regret in Columbus, where she had lived for many years and was known and loved by numerous friends. Mrs. Rehder had been suffering from a cancer for quite a long time, and recently went to Birmingham to have an operation performed. She had been in a precarious condition for some time, and the attending physicians announced Thursday that it would be impossible for her to recover.

Mrs. Rehder, who at the time of her death was 25 years old, was the only daughter of Mr. J. L. Walker, who has been the daughter of Mr. J. L. Walker, the popular city veterinarian for the third ward. Several years ago she was married to Mr. T. W. Rehder, of the firm of J. L. Walker & Co. Besides her husband and father, the deceased is survived by two brothers, Mr. Bennett Walker, of Batesburg, and Mr. Louis Walker, of this city, and three sisters, Mrs. Henry Beard, Mrs. Nash Brooks and Miss John Ellen Walker, all of whom reside in this city.

The body arrived in the city on the Southern Railway at six o'clock Saturday morning, and the funeral occurred at the residence of Mr. N. W. Rehder on South Fourth street at three o'clock Saturday afternoon, having been conducted by Rev. W. A. Hewitt, pastor of the First Baptist church. The body was interred in Friendship cemetery, Messrs. R. W. Weaver, Harry Reeves, Pope Reeves, E. R. Sherman, L. W. Gardner and Ernest Board having served as pall bearers.

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